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### **Foundations' Funds Finance S.A.R.C.**

How do you finance a conference? This is the question which must have plagued conference-planners from the very beginning. For after all, money is the back-bone of all undertakings, and \$7500 (the present budget of the Conference) is not easy to come by -- especially when starting from scratch.

The Conference finance committee started out with working capital in the forms of loans or grants amounting to \$2000 from the Haverford Student Council and Bryn Mawr's Undergraduate Association and Alliance. Then a committee was set up to compile a list of Foundations which might possibly be interested in supporting the Conference. Foundations concerned with education or Civil Rights were especially considered. Foundations were cleared through both colleges before the committee wrote to them.

The largest section of the funds for the Conference came from Foundations. Sizable donations have been received or are promised from the Louis M. Rabinowitz Foundation and the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, due to its interest in Civil Rights matters.

Other Foundations which have shown interest in the Conference are the Bill of Rights Fund and the Fund for Tomorrow.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

1 "The College News"  
Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Date: 2/7/64  
Edition: Vol. XLIX No.12  
Author:

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## 400 Students Due At Seminars

## 'Revolution' Program Set

The full schedule of speakers for "The Second American Revolution," a working conference on the current Negro movement in America sponsored by students of Bryn Mawr and Haverford Colleges, was announced this week.

The three-day program, Feb. 7-9 at the Haverford campus, is expected to draw some 400 students and resource personnel from more than 50 colleges and universities.

The schedule is as follows:

Friday, Feb. 7 — From 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., an address by John Hope Franklin, chairman of the Department of History at Brooklyn College; from 8 to 9:45 p.m. a panel discussion featuring James Farmer, national director of the Committee On Racial Equality and James Jackson Kilpatrick, editor of the Richmond News Leader; and from 10 to 11:30 p.m., another panel with William Worthy, spokesman for the Freedom Now (Negro Labor) party and the Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth, chairman of the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights.

Saturday, Feb. 8 — From 9 a.m. until noon, James Forman,

executive secretary of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, and Herbert Hill, labor secretary of the NAACP, will head another discussion.

Additional speakers, including a keynote address Sunday morning, Feb. 9 from 9 to 10:30, are still to be announced.

The conference is for students interested in examining the problems and prospects facing the American Negro and is meant to provide better understanding of the critical forces and issues shaping Negro life in America. Intensive, small-group seminars on specific aspects of the movement will be held Saturday afternoon (Feb. 8) at Bryn Mawr College.

Alan H. Raphael, a Haverford sophomore, and Kathy Boudin, a Bryn Mawr College junior, are co-chairmen of the program. The conference is being backed by undergraduate governing bodies of both colleges and by individuals and a number of foundations.

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8 "Main Line Times"  
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# Students Of 55 Colleges Explore Negro's Struggle

## Local Schools Host Three-Day Parley On 'Second Revolution'

By GLENN McCURDY

They came from 55 colleges and universities representing this country's South, North and Midwest. They dressed in everything from dungarees and sweaters to the newest in women's fashions.

There were over 400 of them gathering for a three-day look at the serious racial crisis taking place in their country.

They were gathered to consider what their own contributions to this revolution would be.

The "Second American Revolution," organized by students at Haverford and Bryn Mawr Colleges, was advertised as a working conference whose purpose was to view the civil rights struggle from several aspects, thereby offering a better, deeper understanding of the movement. The conference began with a look at this country's history and ended with a campaign hymn, "We Shall Overcome." To the observer it was a disturbing yet rewarding experience.

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1 "Main Line Times"  
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### Historical Setting

Dr. John Hope Franklin, chairman of the history department at Brooklyn College, opened the program Friday afternoon at Roberts Hall, Haverford, with a two hour presentation of the "revolution's" historical roots.

"It might be helpful to note that even in the drafting of the United States' Declaration of Independence, the founders of this country were willing to compromise freedom," said Dr. Franklin, a Negro.

"The Declaration's first draft included a direct condemnation of the slave trade, blaming the immoral condition on evil British influences.

"The final draft ignored this 'immoral condition' (under pressure) and thus produced our nation's first serious compromise on the rights of man," said Dr. Franklin.

Looking briefly at the results of the Civil War, he told the students that following the war it became difficult to consolidate anything that might have been gained.

"Even when there were no white southern representatives in Congress during the war, there were long debates over the condition of slavery. There was a deep-rooted northern opposition to the basic principles of human freedom. 'For Whites Only' signs had been staked around this country's basic and fundamental right much earlier."

### Law Was Challenged

"An act in 1870 calling for equal treatment of the Negro in

cemeteries, inns and public eating places was finally passed in 1875 as both northern and southern congressmen boasted they would never obey the law," said Dr. Franklin.

"The white man in our country has developed racial prejudice into a fine art, especially in the North where this art has been carefully worked out.

"Those of both races fighting for the Negro cause are making real contributions to the growth and greatness of America. They are fighting for our significance as a nation."

Asked what he thought was the real significance of the Black Muslim movement, Dr. Franklin blamed the appearance of this highly militant minority as a product of despair, comparable to the "Back to Africa" movement of the 1920s. It gives Negroes an identity, a hope, a dignity that they can find no place else, he felt.

He defined the "white liberal" as the majority member who knows that he too is still in slavery until every man is free.

"I can think of no worse position than that of the white man in the South who cannot truly believe in America, who cannot even speak or discuss the hatred that keeps him in chains," remarked Dr. Franklin.

"If this second revolution is a failure," concluded Dr. Franklin, "I am sorry for all the white leaders of the War for Independence; for this nation will then be a failure. The time is short."

### The Current Reformation

Members of Saturday morning's panel, again at Haverford, were all individuals who have been instrumental in civil rights reformation.

The panel included James Forman, executive secretary of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee; Herbert Hill, labor secretary of the NAACP; William Higgs, the first attorney for James Meredith and director of the Washington Human Rights Project; and Harrison Goldin, a former lawyer with the Justice Department.

Forman, presenting a stand for the active participation of white liberals in the "revolution," said that unless the white community does take a firm stand, the movement will fail.

"If people are unwilling to give a portion of their time, a segment of their lives to help destroy these social inequalities, this nation will fail," he said.

"When an American citizen is required to answer questions such as how many bubbles there are in a bar of soap before he is eligible to go to the polls, this cannot be called the right to vote."

### Backing for Forman

Supporting Forman's plea for active interest from the liberals, Higgs, named one of America's outstanding young men by Life magazine for his pro-Negro stand as a white lawyer in Mississippi, asked members of the conference to make their contributions where it would matter most.

"Today in the South, there are a few men, each of them ardent racists, who hold life-and-death power over millions of colored people all over the world because as congressmen these men hold the purse strings," said Higgs.

"There are judges whose presence in our judicial system continues to keep southern justice back in the 19th century. These men have to be removed and all of us must see that it is done," said Higgs.

Hill, pessimistic toward the "coming-in" of white liberals, pointed to the recent case of the New York City school boycott where the liberals, heavy financial contributors to the cause, threatened to withdraw their support if the boycott was carried out.

"And there are many organizations," said Hill, "who have made a racket out of the civil rights movement. They solicit funds for the Negro cause, speak for the cause, create things like 'take a Negro out to lunch weeks' and yet have no Negro representation within their organizations."

### In Their Own Time

"These so-called 'white liberals' want to preach human dignity and civil rights their own way, in their own time," said Hill.

He then declared that the white majority would have to join the movement on the movement's terms, not their own.

"Today, your generation must break with the rotten legacy handed down to you by the history of this country," Hill told the student audience. "You must wipe away the white institutions that have made the Negro feel degraded. This revolution calls for a rededication of ourselves to the establishment of a truly free society and a truly great nation. Unless we can fight this white obsession that is making us sick, together, we may have no future," he concluded.

### Enemies Within

Howard Zinn, a doctor of political science from Columbia University and an advisor to

SNCC, closed the conference with a discussion of other problems uncovered by the rights movement.

"The Second Revolution has lain bare more problems than just that of racial prejudice," said Zinn.

"Suppose a cancer operation uncovered several other diseased areas while attempting to remove the major malignancy. There are two things you could do: sew the person up and pretend you didn't notice anything, or fight every diseased area you uncovered," he said.

Dr. Zinn explained that while most of the public blame for the lag in civil rights justice has been aimed at the legislative branch of the government (for sitting on important rights measures), to be effective all these measures must be enforceable; in practice this is not the case.

"Suppose you are in a building down south and suppose that building is surrounded by men with guns and clubs. If you have a telephone, who can you call for help?" asked Dr. Zinn.

"I'll tell you one thing: you can't call the local police, they're already there! (laughter) If you call someone from the Justice Department they'll give you a fine web of legal arguments which carefully explain why they can't interfere.

"While the Executive Department has the power to protect the citizen's basic rights to free speech and freedom of the press, this power has been short-circuited somewhere. These laws are on the books, but they are not enforced."

"In some cases I have seen peaceful demonstrators being roughed up by local police while members of the FBI stand to one side taking notes," said Dr. Zinn.

He also described what he termed the recent "investigation" of United States jails by hundreds of "interested" students, professors and ministers.

#### 'Come Out Shocked'

"These witnesses, who would normally never experience a jail cell, come out shocked by the hundreds of people rotting their lives away for no apparent reason other than the lack of interest from outside."

Another lesson learned as a by-product of the rights movement concerns the use of political power, according to Dr. Zinn.

"Normally a responsible concerned citizen is told to write to his congressman, but who is to say this congressman is a responsible citizen? Today when people try to persuade you to go through the proper channels, they merely want you to get lost. (laughter) The proper channels lead right into a swamp down in Washington," he said.

Referring to the American political tradition as a system dedicated to solving everything with minimum gestures, Dr. Zinn said that workers in the rights movement have found that the only real way to attack the cold apathy of politicians in power is by an active display of concern such as non-violent demonstrations.

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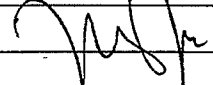

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JOHN HOPE FRANKLIN

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

Neighbors state have known appointee on limited basis for "about" one year. Appears friendly, intelligent and "keeps his grass cut." Recommend. Two fellow professors at University of Chicago highly endorse appointee for trusted position.

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DETAILS:

Neighborhood

5805 South Blackstone Avenue  
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[redacted]  
[redacted] advised on November 3, 1965, that she has been acquainted with the appointee and the appointee's wife and son on a limited neighborly basis for "about" one year.

Both the appointee and his wife appear friendly, intelligent and have created no trouble in the neighborhood. There is no reason to question their moral integrity or their loyalty to the United States Government.

She said based on her limited knowledge of the appointee, she would recommend him for a position of trust.

[redacted]  
[redacted] advised on November 3, 1965, that she has known the appointee as a neighbor on a very limited basis for "about" the past year. The appointee and his wife are cordial, maintain a neat premises and to her knowledge are loyal American citizens of good reputation. She said the appointee is employed as a professor at the University of Chicago in the History Department.

[redacted] advised that she would have no reason not to endorse the appointee for a position of trust.

[redacted]  
[redacted] advised on November 3, 1965, that the appointee and his wife have been residing across the street from them for around one year. The appointee to their knowledge works at the University of Chicago as a history professor.



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They stated he appears to be a friendly individual, dresses neatly and "keeps his grass cut." There is no reason to question his moral conduct or patriotism.

[redacted] said, based on their limited association with the appointee, they would recommend him for a trusted position.

[redacted] advised on November 3, 1965, that she is acquainted with the appointee strictly on the basis of short social greetings such as "Good Morning" and "Hello, how are you." The appointee makes a nice impression and has given her no reason to doubt his loyalty to the United States or his integrity. To date, he has maintained his grounds in a neat manner.

[redacted] said she would have no reason not to endorse him for any position of trust within his qualifications.

[redacted] advised on November 3, 1965, that her knowledge of appointee is strictly based on a limited association as a neighbor. He is always cordial and appears to be a cultured individual of excellent moral character. She stated she would have no reason to doubt his loyalty to the United States Government.

[redacted] advised that, based on her limited knowledge of the appointee, she would recommend him for a position of trust.

Associates

On November 3, 1965, [redacted]  
[redacted] History Department, University of Chicago,

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advised SA [ ] he has known appointee approximately 15 years as a fellow professor and historian. He said he and appointee both grew up in Tulsa Oklahoma, and their respective fathers were both attorneys. He did not know him there but his father knew appointee's father and spoke very highly of him as the leading Negro attorney in Tulsa.

[ ] said he has such a high regard for appointee that he would trust him with his life, his family and his country. He said he knows of no other person he so highly respects and regards and recommends him for any position of trust and responsibility. He related that he knows nothing of an adverse nature regarding appointee.

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University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, advised on November 3, 1965, that he has been acquainted with the appointee on both a professional and social basis.

[ ] said he considers the appointee to be one of the foremost historians in the United States, especially in the field of Negro History. The appointee is well educated, intelligent, and a personable individual. He is loyal to the United States Government and possesses a marvelous character.

[ ] said he has nothing but the highest respect for the appointee and would give him a most favorable recommendation for a position of trust.

#### Miscellaneous

A check of the newspaper morgues of the "Chicago Daily News", the "Chicago Tribune" and "Chicago's American" on October 29, 1965, disclosed no information of a derogatory nature concerning the appointee.

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Rereport of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/1/65.

On November 3, 1965, IC [REDACTED] determined that no record was contained in the Metropolitan Police Department files concerning the appointee and his wife.

It is to be noted that at all times an indefinite number of unidentified records are out of file and not available for review.

On November 2, 1965, IC [REDACTED] searched the files of the United States Park Police and no record was found concerning appointee and his wife.

IC [REDACTED] caused a search to be made of the files of the Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission and was advised on November 3, 1965, that no additional pertinent information was found concerning the appointee.

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IC [ ] caused a search to be made of the files of the U. S. Secret Service, Dept. of the Treasury, and was advised on 11/3/65, that no record was located concerning the appointee.

IC [ ] caused a search to be made of the files of The Credit Bureau, Incorporated, Washington, D.C., and was advised on November 3, 1965, that the files contained a satisfactory credit record for the appointee and his wife.

Files, Office of Security, Department of State, were reviewed by SA [ ] on November 3, 1965, and revealed that on March 26, 1962, the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Dept. of State, had requested the Office of Security to do a name check on appointee in connection with consideration of him for the F. L. 480 Program with Yugoslavia for 1962 and 1963. On 6/14/62, the Office of Security advised the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs that FRANKLIN's appointment to the Board of Foreign Scholarship was announced by the White House on 5/22/62.

These files also revealed that on April 5, 1962, Secretary of State DEAN RUSK personally approved a security clearance for the appointee for a presidential appointment. The Office of Security granted the appointee a security clearance under E010450 on June 19, 1962, as an applicant, valid for 90 days unless appointed in the meantime. The appointee was appointed a Foreign Affairs Officer, Consultant, when actually employed, as a member of the Board of Foreign Scholarship, effective May 22, 1962, and to expire on September 22, 1962. He was reappointed for a three year term on September 22, 1962, which term would expire on September 22, 1965, and until his successor was appointed.

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These files do not reflect any termination of the appointee's clearance but the Office of Security has advised that all the clearances terminate when the person connected with the Department of State terminates.

For the information of the Bureau, the Washington Post, December 12, 1962, issue carried an article headlined "Cosmos Club Breaks Race Tradition by Electing a Negro to Membership". The article stated that Negro historian JOHN HOLE FRANKLIN has become the first member of his race elected to the Cosmos Club, an exclusive organization of the intellectual elite. OK

Appointee's membership in the Cosmos Club was not checked into in view of the fact that the Cosmos Club is a professional club in Washington, D.C., composed of many notable persons in this area and it is felt that verification of his membership might lead to possible embarrassment.

WFO will immediately submit results of informants check upon receipt.

November 5, 1965

BY COURIER SERVICE

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Honorable Marvin Watson  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Watson:

VNC 13 1012  
Transmitted herewith is a summary memorandum containing the results of investigation of Dr. John Hope Franklin, which was requested on October 19, 1965.

An applicant-type investigation was conducted regarding Dr. Franklin in 1962. The results of that investigation were summarized in a memorandum dated February 5, 1962, a copy of which has been previously furnished to you. The enclosed memorandum covers Dr. Franklin's activities since February, 1962.

Referral/Direct

Informants familiar with Communist Party activities are being contacted in the appropriate areas for any information they may possess concerning Dr. Franklin. When the results of these contacts are received, you will be advised.

The investigation of Dr. Franklin covered inquiries in the continental United States as to his character, loyalty, general standing and ability, but no inquiries were made as to the sources of his income.

Upon removal of the classified enclosure, this letter becomes unclassified.

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

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Honorable Marvin Watson

NOTE: Request received 10/19/65. Position not stated. Franklin, aged 50, is a prominent Negro educator and author, employed as a professor of history at the University of Chicago. He is a member of the Board of Foreign Scholarships, State Department, Washington, D. C. Prior investigation in 1962 which has been brought up to date disclosed Franklin admitted membership in several communist fronts. Current inquiries indicate he has been an apologist for the late Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, a prominent crusader for civil rights and a sponsor of communist fronts who joined the Communist Party at the age of 93. Franklin participated in the march on Montgomery, Alabama, with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and is interested in seeking equal rights for Negroes. One acquaintance stated, however, Dr. Franklin does not carry a "chip on his shoulder because of his race." He is unknown to Senators Kennedy and Javits in New York where he has resided and been employed until recently. Summary classified ~~confidential~~ since it contains information from sources the disclosure of which could affect the internal security of the country.

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JOHN HOPE FRANKLIN

Summary

The information contained in this memorandum supplements that contained in a memorandum dated February 5, 1962, concerning Dr. Franklin.

Employment

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P.O.B. Oklahoma

Dr. Franklin continued to serve as Chairman of the History Department at Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York, until August, 1964, when he resigned to accept employment with the University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois. He was on sabbatical leave from September, 1962, until August, 1963, during which period he reportedly served as William Pitt Professor of American History at Cambridge University, Cambridge, England.

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In June and July, 1964, he was employed as a visiting professor in the History Department, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland.

From October 1, 1964, to the present he has been employed as a professor of history at the University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

Since May, 1962, he has served as a member of the Board of Foreign Scholarships, Department of State, Washington, D. C., on a when-actually-employed basis.

In December, 1963, he served as a representative of the President of the United States with the rank of Special Ambassador at the festivities establishing the Republic of Zanzibar.

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John Hope Franklin

Residence

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Dr. Franklin, his wife the former Aurelia E. Whittington and their son [redacted] reside at 5805 South Blackstone Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Interviews

[redacted] History Department, Columbia University, New York, New York, advised he has been acquainted with Dr. Franklin for many years, having first met him at Harvard University. He said Dr. Franklin is one of the most outstanding scholars with whom he is acquainted. He described Dr. Franklin's character, reputation, loyalty and habits as excellent. He said Dr. Franklin is a "wonderful" family man and is well regarded in the field of education. [redacted] also advised that both he and Dr. Franklin took part with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in the march on Montgomery, Alabama, because they felt Dr. King had the right point of view on that occasion and they, [redacted] and Dr. Franklin, "could not see being associated with any other group." [redacted] said he would highly recommend Dr. Franklin for any position of trust in the United States Government.

[redacted] Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York, advised he first met Dr. and Mrs. Franklin when Dr. Franklin joined the faculty at the college. He said he and his wife became close friends of the Franklins and they have continued to have contact with the Franklins up to the present time.

[redacted] stated Dr. Franklin possesses enormous drive, has an alert and active mind and is regarded as an outstanding individual. He said Dr. Franklin does not "carry a chip on his shoulder" because of his race. He stated Dr. Franklin as Chairman of the History Department at Brooklyn College demonstrated an ability to manage personalities and to solve personality conflicts. He said he knows no reason to question Dr. Franklin's loyalty to the United States and recommended him for a position of trust. Professor Withner described Dr. Franklin's wife as a very respectable and responsible citizen.

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John Hope Franklin

Hobart Jarrett, Associate Professor of English, Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York, advised he first became acquainted with Dr. Franklin 42 years ago when they were attending Booker T. Washington High School in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He stated that although their careers have kept them apart during the intervening years, he and Dr. Franklin have continued to be friends and have kept in touch with each other. He said that recently for approximately five years they have been members of the faculty at Brooklyn College.

Professor Jarrett stated he knows of no finer individual than Dr. Franklin who is gifted with great intelligence and ability. He said Dr. Franklin is able to make friends and to keep them. He described Dr. Franklin's honesty and integrity as above question and his moral and personal habits as good. Professor Jarrett said Dr. Franklin and his wife are loyal Americans and highly recommended Dr. Franklin for a position of trust.

Harry D. Gideonse, President, Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York, stated he has the highest regard for Dr. Franklin's character, reputation and loyalty to the United States. He said Dr. Franklin has traveled extensively overseas and has received numerous letters from government officials and others who were lavish in their praise of Dr. Franklin. He said that one year after Dr. Franklin's departure from Brooklyn College he invited Dr. Franklin to give the commencement address. He said this was the first time a former faculty member had been so honored. He said Dr. Franklin's wife impressed him as a responsible and loyal American and that she was well liked by the members of the faculty. He said he would give Dr. Franklin an unqualified recommendation for a position of trust with the United States Government.

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Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York, advised Dr. Franklin is a highly personable and intelligent individual who is completely reliable. He stated that during the recent racial disturbances in New York City he never heard Dr. Franklin make any comment which would indicate he was governed by his emotions in connection with racial matters. [redacted] advised that Dr. Franklin and his wife are loyal Americans and recommended Dr. Franklin for any position of trust.

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[redacted] also advised that Dr. Franklin left Brooklyn College under the most favorable circumstances. He said the only reason for Dr. Franklin's departure was the fact that Brooklyn College was unable to match the offer made to Dr. Franklin by the University of Chicago. He stated Brooklyn College would be most happy to have Dr. Franklin again on its staff.

[redacted] History Department,  
University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, advised [redacted]

[redacted] Dr. Franklin, who was then serving as a professor at Cambridge University. He stated he has known Dr. Franklin for approximately three years through professional contacts and has been his administrative supervisor during the past year. He said Dr. Franklin is the most distinguished and prominent Negro in America today and that he, [redacted] as head of the History Department is elated to have such a scholar on his staff. He stated that the demands made upon Dr. Franklin's time for "lectures, debates, consultation etc." detract considerably from his teaching duties. Dr. McNeill said he believes Dr. Franklin's loyalty to the United States is above question. He said Dr. Franklin has devoted his life to the study of his country and has written several books in this connection. He said he knows nothing unfavorable concerning Dr. Franklin and recommended him for any position for which he might be considered.

[redacted] Department of State, Washington, D. C., advised that Dr. Franklin accompanied him as a member of the United States Delegation to Africa in late 1963 in connection with the establishment of the new Republic of Zanzibar. He said this trip lasted for 10 days and they spent a great deal of time together. He said with the exception of the aforementioned trip he knows Dr. Franklin primarily by reputation which he said is excellent in all respects. He stated he knows nothing unfavorable concerning Dr. Franklin's character, associates, reputation or loyalty. He stated that based upon Dr. Franklin's reputation, he would recommend Dr. Franklin for a position of trust.

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[redacted] Operations Staff, Board of Foreign Scholarships, Department of State, Washington, D. C., advised he has known Dr. Franklin as a member of the Board of Foreign Scholarships since several months after Dr. Franklin became a member of the Board. He said prior to that time he knew Dr. Franklin by reputation through his achievements in the field of history. [redacted] described Dr. Franklin as a fine gentleman of excellent associates and outstanding character and reputation. He said Dr. Franklin's loyalty to the United States is above question. He stated that in September, 1965, Dr. Franklin was selected as Vice Chairman of the Board. [redacted] recommended Dr. Franklin as a top-notch educator and as a very fine individual who has been unaffected by the attention he has received and as deserving every honor bestowed upon him. He said Dr. Franklin has always represented his race favorably and would make an outstanding representative of this country. He recommended Dr. Franklin for a position of trust.

Robert F. Kennedy, United States Senator from New York, advised at Washington, D. C., he is not acquainted with Dr. Franklin either personally or by reputation.

Jacob K. Javits, United States Senator from New York, advised at Washington, D. C., he is not personally acquainted with Dr. Franklin. He stated he is well acquainted with the President of Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York, who is an outstanding individual in every respect. Senator Javits said he is confident that only high-type, qualified individuals would be found on the staff of Brooklyn College. Senator Javits stated he is unable to make any additional comments.

Thirty-three additional individuals, including professional associates, neighbors and acquaintances, were interviewed concerning Dr. Franklin and commented favorably concerning his character, reputation, associates and loyalty. His professional associates stated he is a highly capable individual. Those acquainted with his close relatives stated they are reputable persons. All individuals interviewed recommended Dr. Franklin for a position of trust.

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Close Relatives

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Buck Colbert Franklin  
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Mother

Mollie Parker Franklin  
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Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from the appropriate credit reporting and law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Dr. Franklin or his close relatives.

Clearance

The records of the Office of Security, Department of State, show that Dr. Franklin was granted a security clearance on June 19, 1962, by the Department of State. The records do not indicate whether this clearance has been terminated; however, information has been received from the Office of Security indicating that its clearances terminate when an individual's connection with the Department of State terminates.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Dr. Franklin:

G-2, United States Army Counterintelligence  
Records Facility, Fort Holabird, Maryland;  
Office of Security and Passport Office,  
Department of State; Security Division,  
Office of Internal Security, Department

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of Health, Education, and Welfare;  
Central Intelligence Agency; House  
Committee on Un-American Activities;  
Office of Naval Intelligence; Bureau  
of Personnel Investigations, Civil  
Service Commission; United States  
Secret Service.

Miscellaneous

The April 20, 1962, issue of "New America," an official publication of the Socialist Party - Social Democratic Federation, contained an article entitled "550 Prominent Citizens Ask Freedom for Scales."

The article states in part: "Five hundred and fifty prominent Americans have petitioned President Kennedy to grant a pardon to Junius Scales, a former Communist who is serving a six year sentence in Lewisburg penitentiary under the 'membership clause' of the Smith Act, it was announced today at a joint press conference by Norman Thomas and Roger Baldwin..."

" 'We believe', the petition stated, 'that this is not the way to handle the problem of the ex-Communist. There is no point of view which can find solace in the fact that we have greeted with jail sentences men who have sincerely and honestly broken with Communism.

" 'We believe that these men were tragically wrong when they were active members of the Communist Party. Yet, we have every reason to respect their sincerity in breaking with the Communist Party and we wish to welcome them to the democratic community, not send them to jail...' "

John Hope Franklin was one of the individuals who reportedly signed the aforementioned petition.

Junius Scales was convicted in the United States District Court in Greensboro, North Carolina, on February 21, 1958, on the charge of violating the membership

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provision of the Smith Act of 1940. He was sentenced to serve six years in prison. This conviction was subsequently upheld by the United States Supreme Court. Junius Scales began serving the sentence on October 2, 1961. On December 24, 1962, Junius Scales was given a Presidential Pardon.

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In October, 1963, an informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past but who was not personally acquainted with Dr. Franklin, advised that the name of Dr. John Hope Franklin, 1885 New York Avenue, Brooklyn 10, New York, was listed as a subscriber to the "Social Questions Bulletin."

The "Social Questions Bulletin" is the official publication of the Methodist Federation for Social Action.

The Methodist Federation for Social Action has been cited as a communist front by the Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

On February 11, 1964, an informant\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished a letter issued by the DuBois Memorial Committee, 248 West 139th Street, New York, New York. The letter contained a request for financial support for a memorial tribute to be held on February 23, 1964, at Carnegie Hall, New York, New York, in honor of Dr. W. E. B. DuBois. Among the names of the "initiating sponsors" listed in the letter was that of Dr. John Hope Franklin.

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In February, 1964, an informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on February 23, 1964, at a tribute to Dr. W. E. B. DuBois at Carnegie Hall, New York, New York, the main address was given by Dr. John Hope Franklin of Brooklyn College. The informant advised that Dr. Franklin expressed some bitterness as to how the news media had played down or practically ignored the death of Dr. DuBois. Dr. Franklin stated that since the birth of the United States, the people of the nation have refused to regard the Negro as

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"just another human being," but regard the Negro as a second-class citizen. Dr. Franklin stated this was not Dr. DuBois' fault. He said that although Dr. DuBois was a great scholar, he was rejected by his white peers because of the color of his skin. Dr. Franklin also stated that Dr. DuBois as a Negro scholar attempted to educate the "whites" to accept people for what they are and not because of the color of their skin. He said Dr. DuBois' courage and zeal have given inspiration to the Negroes. Dr. Franklin concluded his remarks by stating that the march on Washington in August, 1963, was initiated 60 years ago by Dr. DuBois' drive for first-class citizenship for the Negro.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, aforementioned, joined the Communist Party in October, 1961, at the age of ninety-three. He had previously testified that he had been associated with such organizations as the Council on African Affairs, the American Peace-Crusade, the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship and the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, which have been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450. Dr. DuBois was awarded an International Lenin Peace Prize for 1958 by the Soviet Union and, upon receipt of that prize, he stated, "I have never been a member of the Communist Party...but I think communism is the best system for all countries after this trip..." In November, 1951, Dr. DuBois was acquitted in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia on the charge of failure to register as an agent of a foreign principal in connection with the operation of the disbanded Peace Information Center of New York City, which has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450. Dr. DuBois died on August 27, 1963, in Ghana.

The Winter, 1965, issue of the magazine "Freedomways" is devoted to Dr. W. E. B. DuBois as a special memorial issue. Page 11 of that issue of the magazine contained greetings from John Hope Franklin as follows:

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"I am pleased to learn that 'Freedomways' is planning an issue to memorialize Dr. DuBois. For the latter portion of my life, Dr. DuBois has been an inspiration to me and to most members of my generation. I remember so well the first time I heard him speak. It was in 1926 at the State Teachers Association in Oklahoma. Although I was a mere lad I was greatly moved by what he said on that occasion. From then to the end of his life he continued to be a great source of inspiration. His impeccable scholarship, his fearlessness as a leader, and his determination to secure freedom for all peoples, were the hallmarks of his great and illustrious life. I am certain that he will continue to wield enormous influence through his immortal writings."

"Freedomways," aforementioned, is published by Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, in New York, New York. A source advised in 1961 that it was originally planned for the publication to be openly Marxist, but it was later decided the publication would not be avowedly Marxist. Editorials allegedly were in the hands of a mixed group of Marxists and non-Marxists. "Freedomways" reportedly was to project a socialist and pro-Soviet orientation. Another source has stated the publication was set up for the Communist Party by James Jackson, a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA.

The January 30, 1964, issue of the "Main Line Times" newspaper, Ardmore, Pennsylvania, contained an article entitled "'Revolution' Program Set." This article indicated that "The Second American Revolution," a working conference on the current Negro movement in America sponsored by students of Bryn Mawr and Haverford Colleges, announced a three-day program from February 7 to February 9, 1964, on the Haverford campus. The program of events issued in connection with the aforementioned conference indicated that on February 7, 1964, the opening address would be given by Dr. John Hope Franklin, Chairman, Department of History, Brooklyn College. The title of his address was indicated as "The Civil Rights Revolution: Historical Setting."

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The February 13, 1964, issue of the "Main Line Times" contained an article entitled "Students of 55 Colleges Explore Negro's Struggle." This article, a copy of which is enclosed, indicated in part Dr. Franklin during the opening address at the aforementioned program stated that when drafting the Declaration of Independence, the founders of this country were willing to compromise freedom because the final draft of the Declaration ignored the immoral condition of the slave trade and produced our nation's first serious compromise concerning the rights of man. According to the article Dr. Franklin "blamed the appearance of the Black Muslim movement as a product of despair comparable to the 'Back to Africa' movement in the 1920s." The article further indicated Dr. Franklin concluded his remarks by stating "If this second revolution is a failure, I am sorry for all the white leaders of the War for Independence for this nation will then be a failure. The time is short."

The February 7, 1964, issue of the "College News" newspaper, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, contained an article indicating that [REDACTED]  
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In November, 1963, an informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

The informant identified [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Leonard B. Boudin, an attorney in New York, New York. Leonard Boudin reportedly was a concealed member of the Communist Party prior to 1945. In 1960 information was received indicating the law firm of Victor Rabinowitz and Leonard Boudin had been engaged by the Government of Cuba to handle legal matters for that government in the United States. In 1963 Leonard Boudin was reported to be an officer of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee. The Emergency Civil Liberties Committee has been cited as a communist front by the Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

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The February 7, 1964, issue of the "College News" contained an article indicating a portion of the funds for the Second American Revolution Conference were received or promised from various organizations including the Louis M. Rabinowitz Foundation. It was also indicated that among other organizations which exhibited an interest in the conference was the Bill of Rights Fund.

The Louis M. Rabinowitz Foundation, Incorporated was incorporated in 1944 to promote religious, charitable, scientific, literary and educational work. Victor Rabinowitz was listed as a director and the address of the foundation was shown as in care of Rabinowitz and Boudin, New York City.

The Bill of Rights Fund, aforementioned, reportedly was initiated through the contribution of \$50,000 by Corliss Lamont in 1954. Corliss Lamont allegedly was a member of the Communist Party, USA in the 1930s and 1940s.

The June 11, 1965, issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" newspaper, Chicago, Illinois, contained an article entitled "U. of C's Franklin Defends Principle of School Boycotts." This article indicates in part that John Hope Franklin, distinguished Negro scholar, firmly endorsed the general principle of school boycotting and criticized a Chicago Board of Education suit that sought a permanent injunction against such demonstrations. A copy of the article is enclosed.

#### Book Review

The "Book Review Digest" of 1963 contains a review of the book "The Emancipation Proclamation" written by John Hope Franklin. According to the "Book Review Digest," a review which appeared in "The Commonweal," a Catholic lay magazine published in New York, New York, on March 8, 1963, states as follows:

"A work of scholarship that is lucid and attractive to the general reader. With self-restraint and detachment, (Professor Franklin) has more or less successfully

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abstracted and told the story of the Emancipation Proclamation. There are enough misconceptions about that single great document to justify his attempt to separate its genesis and its content from its indispensable predecessor, the abolitionist movement, from the Civil War itself and from the bitter aftermath."

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Dr. Franklin.

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FROM: SAC, WFO (161-1496) (RUG)

JOHN HOPE FRANKLIN  
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DATE 09-01-2009 BY 60322 UCLP/PLJ/JN

ReWFOairtel dated 11/4/65.

Confidential informants, who are familiar with  
Communist Party activities in the Washington, D.C. area,  
advised in November, 1965, that they do not know the  
appointee.

The confidential informants mentioned above were  
[redacted] and [redacted] who were contacted on 11/4/65, by  
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1 - Mr. DeLoach  
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Honorable Marvin Watson  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Watson:

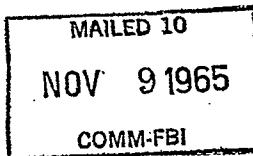
Reference is made to my letter dated  
November 5, 1965, pertaining to an investigation  
of Dr. John Hope Franklin.

Informants familiar with Communist Party  
activities have been contacted in the appropriate  
areas concerning Dr. Franklin and advised they can  
furnish no information concerning him.

This concludes the investigation in  
this case.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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JOHN HOPE FRANKLIN  
Born: January 2, 1915  
Rentiesville, Oklahoma

Reference is made to your request for information concerning the captioned individual subsequent to that furnished your agency on July 5, 1962.

Additional inquiries were conducted by the FBI during 1965 concerning the captioned individual, results of which have been furnished to the White House.

For detailed results of these inquiries, you are referred to the office of the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, attention [redacted]

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NOTE: On July 5, 1962, USIA was referred to White House investigation conducted in February, 1962. Investigation at that time disclosed Franklin admitted membership in several communist fronts. Investigation conducted in 1965 indicated he has been an apologist for the late Dr. W. E. B. DuBois. Franklin participated on the March on Montgomery, Alabama, with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and is interested in seeking equal rights for Negroes.

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TO : The Honorable  
Marvin Watson  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House

ATTN :

FROM : Paul J. McNichol,  
Assistant Director (Security)

SUBJECT: FRANKLIN, John Hope  
IOS - 800-3634

Mr. John Hope Franklin, dob: January 2, 1915 at Rentiesville, Oklahoma, is under consideration by this Agency for participation as a writer/lecturer in a Forum series on American History.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has informed me that an investigation was completed by them on Mr. Franklin in 1965 and the results forwarded the White House. It will be greatly appreciated if a copy of this report can be made available to my office to assist in the processing of Mr. Franklin.

Your cooperation in matters of this type is of great assistance to my Office.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Washington, D. C.

Mr. J. Edgar Stegall:

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ON 9-20-00 #925895

Reference is made to your name check request concerning [Redacted] and several others.

The central files of the FBI contain no pertinent biographical information concerning [Redacted]

The fingerprints files of the Identification Division of the FBI contain no arrest data identifiable with the above named individual based upon background information submitted in connection with this name check request.

Attached are separate memoranda concerning [Redacted] John Hope Franklin and [Redacted]

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Sincerely yours,

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August 16, 1968

JOHN HOPE FRANKLIN

John Hope Franklin, who was born on January 15, 1904, at Pontiesville, Oklahoma, was the subject of a background check being conducted by the FBI in 1963. Additional inquiries were conducted by the FBI during 1965 concerning Dr. Franklin. Attached are summary memoranda setting forth the results of those inquiries dated February 5, 1962, and November 5, 1965, respectively.

The February 17, 1962, issue of "The Capital Times," Madison, Wisconsin, daily newspaper, contained an article concerning a speech given by Professor John Hope Franklin, Chairman, Department of History, University of Chicago, which was sponsored by Concerned Black People (CBP).

Several leaders of CBP have reportedly had Communist Party affiliations and it has openly opposed United States foreign policy in Vietnam. (157-7250-14)

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Honorable John D. Ehrlichman  
Legal Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

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ON 9-20-00 #92589

Dear Mr. Ehrlichman:

Reference is made to your name check request  
concerning John Hope Franklin and [redacted]

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the above individuals.

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Sincerely yours,

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Franklin, John Hope

Birthdate &amp; Place

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
Washington

MEMORANDUM

DATE April 15, 1969

TO : Mr. Cartha D. DeLoach, FBI  
FROM : John D. Ehrlichman  
SUBJECT : FBI Investigation

Subject's Name FRANKLIN, JOHN HOPE

Date of Birth 1/2/15 Place of Birth Rentiesville, Oklahoma

Present Address 5805 S. Blackstone Avenue, Chicago, Illinois

Egil Krogh has requested:

       Copy of Previous Report

  X   Name Check

       Full Field Investigation

The person named above is being considered for:

       White House staff position

       Presidential appointment

  X   Position with another Agency

ATTACHMENTS:

       SF 86 (in duplicate)

       SF 87, Fingerprint Card

       Biography

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REPORT SHOULD BE DELIVERED BY FBI TO: JOHN D. EHRLICHMAN

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

MAY 20 1997

Date 5/19/97

To: Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Attn: ☒ EADSU (Room 4965) ☐ SIGBIU (Room 4371)

From: The White House  
☐ EOP Security Office  
☒ White House Counsel's Office

Subject's full name John Hope Franklin

Other names used (including birth, prior married, and nicknames) none

Social Security Number 578-44-6897 Date of birth 1-2-1915 Place of birth Rentiesville, OK

Permanent address  
(also current residence, if different) 208 Pineview Rd., Durham, NC 27708

Current employer(s) retired

SUBJECT'S CONSENT: I hereby authorize the FBI to provide the information specified below to the White House.

John Hope Franklin May 14/1997  
(Subject's Signature) (Date)

Request of FBI (Use of this form to request information developed by the FBI or contained in FBI files requires the subject's consent. Exceptions will only be permitted as authorized by the Attorney General/Deputy Attorney General.)

- ☒ Name check (EADSU) ☐ Copy of previous report (EADSU)  
☐ Expanded name check (SIGBIU)  
☐ Full field investigation (SIGBIU) ☐ Level 1 ☐ Level 2 ☐ Level 3  
☐ 5-year reinvestigation (SIGBIU) ☐ Level 2 ☐ Level 3  
☐ Limited update investigation (SIGBIU)  
☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

As requested by your request, there are attached memo + photo which may relate to the subject of your request.

The applicant is being considered for:

- ☒ Presidential appointment ☐ Position requiring Senate confirmation  
☐ White House staff position  
☐ Access: ☐ Detailee/other government employee ☐ Contractor ☐ Intern ☐ Volunteer  
☐ Presidential recognition  
☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Attachments: ☐ SF-86 ☐ SF-86 Supplement ☐ SF-87 Fingerprint Card

Remarks/  
special instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify, subject to 18 U.S.C. § 1001, that the above is sought for official purposes only and I understand that obtaining this information under false pretenses or any use of the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a.

REQUEST REVIEWED AND CLEARED FOR RESPONSE	
This request has been reviewed and approved by the White House Counsel's Office.	
BY FBI OGC	5/27/97
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- 1 - Original - To FBI  
2 - Canary - To FBI (Return to White House)  
3 - Pink - To FBI (Office of the General Counsel)  
4 - Gold - White House Origination Copy

Requested by: John Hope Franklin  
(Signature)

Approved by: Peter O'Rourke  
Signature (White House Counsel's Office)

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JOHN HOPE FRANKLIN

*John Hope Franklin Summary*

Captioned individual, who you advised was born January 2, 1915, at Rentiesville, Oklahoma, and currently resides at 5805 South Blackstone Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was the subject of a White House name check in 1969 and applicant-type investigations in 1962 and 1965 conducted by this Bureau. Copies of FBI memorandum dated April 21, 1969, and summary memoranda dated February 5, 1962, and November 5, 1965, concerning the captioned individual are enclosed herewith.

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The central files of the FBI, including the records of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning the captioned individual based upon background information submitted in connection with this name check request.

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NOTE: Per request of [redacted] (Security), The White House.

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☐ Exact Name Only (On the Nose) NY NC DC  
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Subject FRANKLIN John Hope  
 Birthdate & Place 1-2-15 Pontiacville, OKLA  
 Address 5605 S. Blackstone Ave  
Chicago Ill

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JOHN HOPE FRANKLIN, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: DECEMBER 14,

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NOTE: REQUEST RECEIVED TODAY FROM PATRICK V. APODACA,  
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT.

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20 BUREAU HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO CONDUCT EXPEDITE INVESTI-  
18 GATION OF FRANKLIN FOR PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT, POSITION  
NOT INDICATED.

16 BORN JANUARY 2, 1915, RENTIESVILLE, OKLAHOMA. HAS SSAN  
578-44-6897.

14 RESIDENCES: 1936 TO 1937, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE; 1937  
TO 1939, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, 1939 TO 1943, RALEIGH,  
12 NORTH CAROLINA; 1943 TO 1947, DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA; 1947  
TO 1956, WASHINGTON, D. C. {SPENT JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER, 1953,  
10 IN MADISON, WISCONSIN; 1956 TO 1964, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK;  
1964 TO PRESENT, 5805 BLACKSTONE AVENUE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

8 EDUCATION: FISK UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE, 1931 TO 1935,  
B.A. DEGREE; HARVARD UNIVERSITY, CAMBRIDGE, 1935 TO 1939, A.M.  
6 DEGREE AND PH.D. CONFERRED IN 1941.

EMPLOYMENTS: 1936 TO 1937, FISK UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE,  
4 AS INSTRUCTOR; 1939 TO 1943, ST. AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE, RALEIGH,  
AS INSTRUCTOR; 1943 TO 1947, NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE, DURHAM,  
2 AS ASST. PROFESSOR OF HISTORY; 1947 TO 1956, HOWARD UNIVERSITY,  
WASHINGTON, D. C., AS PROFESSOR OF HISTORY; JANUARY TO

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20 VISITING PROFESSOR; 1956 TO 1964, BROOKLYN COLLEGE, BROOKLYN,  
18 AS PROFESSOR OF HISTORY; AND 1964 TO PRESENT, UNIVERSITY OF  
CHICAGO, AS PROFESSOR OF HISTORY.

16 CLOSE RELATIVES: PARENTS, BUCK AND MOLLIE FRANKLIN,  
AND BROTHER, BUCK, JR., ALL DECEASED. LIVING CLOSE RELATIVES  
14 ARE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SISTER, MOZELLA FRANKLIN  
12 JONES, BORN 1907, 2434 NORTH MAIN STREET, TULSA, OKLAHOMA;  
AND WIFE, AURELIA WHITTINGTON FRANKLIN, BORN 1915, RESIDES  
10 WITH APPOINTEE. ALSO SON, [REDACTED]

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8 REFERENCES AND ASSOCIATES: [REDACTED]

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6 OF CHICAGO; [REDACTED] DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY,  
PRINCETON, UNIVERSITY; [REDACTED] HOME,

4 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH,  
2 NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY, DURHAM; AND [REDACTED]

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20 MEMPHIS, APPOINTEE IS A MEMBER OF FISK UNIVERSITY BOARD  
18 OF TRUSTEES. VERIFY, AND CONDUCT LOGICAL INTERVIEWS.

SAN FRANCISCO, APPOINTEE IS AFFILIATED WITH THE CENTER  
16 FOR ADVANCED STUDY IN THE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES, STANFORD,  
CALIFORNIA. VERIFY, AND CONDUCT INTERVIEWS.

14 ALEXANDRIA CHECK CIA ON APPOINTEE, WHO HAS TRAVELED  
ABROAD ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS. ALSO CHECK ON [REDACTED]

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WASHINGTON FIELD CHECK USDS.

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☐ Exact Name Only (On the Nose) MD, ILL, WIS!  
☐ Buildup ☒ Variations HI, CA, MA, TN

Subject Franklin, John Hope  
 Birthdate & Place \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: FBI, LIAISON

FROM:

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 09-02-2009 BY 60322 UCLP/PLJ/JN

SUBJECT: FBI INVESTIGATIONS

Subject's Name FRANKLIN JOHN HOPE  
Date of Birth 1/2/15 Place of Birth Rentiesville, Oklahoma  
Present Address: 5805 Blackstone Ave., Chicago, Illinois

We request: Copy of Previous Report

Name Check

XX Full Field Investigation NO IRS TO FBI

The person named above is being considered for:

White House Staff Position

XX Presidential Appointment

Attachments:

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Remarks:

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Standard Form 86

AUGUST 1964  
U.S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
(F.P.M. CHAPTER 736)  
86-107SECURITY INVESTIGATION DATA  
FOR SENSITIVE POSITION

CASE SERIAL NO. (CSC use only)

INSTRUCTIONS.—Prepare in triplicate, using a typewriter. Fill in all items. If the answer is "No" or "None," so state. If more space is needed for any item, continue under item 28.

1. FULL NAME <i>(Initials and abridgements of full name are not acceptable. If no middle name, show "(NMN)"; if initials only, show "(no given or middle name)".</i>	(LAST NAME) Franklin	(FIRST NAME) John	(MIDDLE NAME) Hope	2. DATE OF BIRTH January 2, 1915
OTHER NAMES USED. <i>(Maiden name, names by former marriages, former names changed legally or otherwise, aliases, nicknames, etc. Specify which, and show dates used.)</i>				3. PLACE OF BIRTH Rentiesville, Okla
				4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
5. HEIGHT 6 ft.		WEIGHT 190 lbs.	COLOR EYES brown	COLOR HAIR gray
6. <input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOW(ER) <input type="checkbox"/> DIVORCED	7. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED, GIVE FULL NAME AND DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH OF SPOUSE OR FORMER SPOUSE. INCLUDE WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME. GIVE DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE OR DIVORCE. <i>(Give same information regarding all previous marriages and divorces.)</i> Aurelia Whittington Franklin; July 25, 1915, Goldsboro, N.C.; Married, June 11, 1940, Goldsboro, N. C.			
8. DATES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE. <i>(If actual places of residence differ from the mailing addresses, furnish and identify both. Begin with present and go back to January 1, 1937. Continue under item 28 on other side if necessary.)</i>				
FROM		TO		NUMBER AND STREET
				CITY
				STATE

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9.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BY BIRTH <input type="checkbox"/> NATURALIZED	ALIEN REGISTRATION NO.	DATE, PLACE, AND COURT		
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	<input type="checkbox"/> DERIVED-PARENTS CERT. NO(S).				
<input type="checkbox"/> ALIEN	REGISTRATION NO.	NATIVE COUNTRY	DATE AND PORT OF ENTRY		
10. EDUCATION. <i>(All schools above elementary.)</i>					
NAME OF SCHOOL		ADDRESS	FROM (Year)	TO (Year)	DEGREES
Booker T. Washington High School,		Tulsa, Okla.	1927	1931	H.S. Diploma
Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.			1931	1935	A.B. ME
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.			1935	1936	A.M. BS
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.			1937	1939	Ph.D. (1941) BS
11. THIS SPACE FOR FBI USE. <i>(See also item 29.)</i>			12. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 578-44-6897		
			13. MILITARY SERVICE <i>(Past or present)</i>		
			SERIAL NO. <i>(If none, give grade or rating at separation)</i>	BRANCH OF SERVICE <i>(Army, Navy, Air Force, etc.)</i>	FROM (Yr.) TO (Yr.)

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26a. REFERENCES. (Name three persons, not relatives or employers, who are aware of your qualifications and fitness.)

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YEARS KNOWN

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26b. CLOSE PERSONAL ASSOCIATES. (Name three persons, such as friends, schoolmates or colleagues, who know you well.)

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27. TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, HAVE YOU EVER BEEN THE SUBJECT OF A FULL FIELD OR BACKGROUND PERSONAL INVESTIGATION BY ANY AGENCY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT? ☒ YES ☐ NO. (If your answer is "Yes," show in item 28, (1) the name of the investigating agency (2) the approximate date of investigation, and (3) the level of security clearance granted, if known.)

28. SPACE FOR CONTINUING ANSWERS TO OTHER QUESTIONS. (Show item numbers to which answers apply. Attach a separate sheet if there is not enough space here.)

27 (Contd.) I do not recall the dates, but when I was on the Board of Foreign Scholarships (1963-1969) I was investigated.

25 (Contd.) See separate sheet

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29. REPORT OF INFORMATION DEVELOPED. (This space reserved for FBI use.)

DATE:

Before signing this form check back over it to make sure you have answered all questions fully and correctly.

**CERTIFICATION**

I CERTIFY that the statements made by me on this form are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith.

False statement on this form  
is punishable by law.

December 1, 1978  
(DATE)

John Hope Franklin  
(SIGNATURE—Sign original and first carbon copy)

**INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED BY AGENCY**

INSTRUCTIONS TO AGENCY: See Federal Personnel Manual Chapter 736 and FPM Supplement 296-31, Appendix A, for details on when this form is required and how it is used. If this is a request for investigation before appointment, insert "APPL" in the space for Date of Appointment and show information about the proposed appointment in the other spaces for appointment data. The original and the first carbon copy should be signed by the applicant or appointee. Submit the original and the unsigned carbon copy of the form, Standard Form 87 (Fingerprint Chart), and any investigative information about the person received on voucher forms or otherwise, to the United States Civil Service Commission, Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Washington, D.C., 20415. If this is a request for full field security investigation, submit these forms to the attention of the Division of Reimbursable Investigations; if this is a request for preappointment national agency checks, submit these forms to the attention of the Control Section.

**RETAIN THE CARBON COPY OF STANDARD FORM 86 (SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT OR APPOINTEE) FOR YOUR FILES**

DATE OF APPOINTMENT	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT <input type="checkbox"/> EXCEPTED <input type="checkbox"/> COMPETITIVE (Include indefinite and temporary types of competitive appointments.)	CIVIL SERVICE REGULATION NUMBER OR OTHER APPOINTMENT AUTHORITY	TITLE OF POSITION AND GRADE OR SALARY
DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY	DUTY STATION	SEND RESULTS OF PREAPPOINTMENT CHECK TO:	
THIS IS A SENSITIVE POSITION			
(SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED AGENCY OFFICIAL)			

19. HAVE YOU EVER HAD A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN OR HAVE YOU EVER HAD MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR A MENTAL CONDITION? ☐ YES ☒ NO.  
(If your answer is "Yes," give details in item 28.)

20. FOREIGN COUNTRIES VISITED (SINCE 1930). (Exclusive of military service.)

COUNTRY

DATE LEFT U.S.A.

DATE RETURNED U.S.A.

PURPOSE

See Separate Sheet

21. ARE YOU NOW, OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN, A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A., OR ANY COMMUNIST OR FASCIST ORGANIZATION? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

22. ARE YOU NOW OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OF ANY FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC ORGANIZATION, ASSOCIATION, MOVEMENT, GROUP, OR COMBINATION OF PERSONS WHICH IS TOTALITARIAN, FASCIST, COMMUNIST, OR SUBVERSIVE, OR WHICH HAS ADOPTED, OR SHOWS, A POLICY OF ADVOCATING OR APPROVING THE COMMISSION OF ACTS OF FORCE OR VIOLENCE TO DENY OTHER PERSONS THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, OR WHICH SEEKS TO ALTER THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES BY UNCONSTITUTIONAL MEANS? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

23. IF YOUR ANSWER TO QUESTION 21 OR 22 ABOVE IS "YES," STATE THE NAMES OF ALL SUCH ORGANIZATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, MOVEMENTS, GROUPS, OR COMBINATIONS OF PERSONS AND DATES OF MEMBERSHIP. IN ITEM 28 OR ON A SEPARATE SHEET TO BE ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THIS FORM, GIVE COMPLETE DETAILS OF YOUR ACTIVITIES THEREIN AND MAKE ANY EXPLANATION YOU DESIRE REGARDING YOUR MEMBERSHIP OR ACTIVITIES.

NAME IN FULL

ADDRESS

FROM

TO

OFFICE HELD

24. MEMBERSHIP IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. (List all organizations in which you are now a member or have been a member, except those which show religious or political affiliations.) (If none, so state.)

NAME IN FULL

ADDRESS

TYPE

FROM

TO

OFFICE HELD

See Separate Sheet

25. RELATIVES. (Parents, spouse, divorced spouse, children, brothers, and sisters, living or dead. Name of spouse should include maiden name and any other names by previous marriage. If person is dead, state "dead" after relationship and furnish information for other columns as of time of death.)

<u>RELATION</u>	<u>NAME IN FULL</u>	<u>YEAR OF BIRTH</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>COUNTRY OF BIRTH</u>	<u>PRESENT CITIZENSHIP</u>
Father (decd. 1960)	Buck Colbert Franklin	1879	1828 N. Norfolk, Tulsa, Okla.	USA	
Mother (decd. 1936)	Mollie Parker Franklin	1878	312 N. Greenwood, Tulsa, Okla.	USA	
Brother (decd. 1947)	Buck Colbert Franklin, Jr.	1908	4141 Delmar Blvd., St. Louis, Mo.	USA	
Sister					
Sister	Mozella Franklin Jones	1907	2434 N. Main St., Tulsa, Okla.	USA	
Wife,	Aurelia Whittington Franklin	1915	5805 Blackstone Ave. Chicago, Ill.	USA	USA

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14. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMED FORCES UNDER OTHER THAN HONORABLE CONDITIONS? ☐ YES ☒ NO.  
(If answer is "Yes," give details in item 28.)

15. EMPLOYMENT. (List ALL employment dates starting with your present employment. Give both month and year for all dates. Show ALL dates and addresses when unemployed. Give name under which employed if different from name now used.)

FROM	TO	NAME OF EMPLOYER (Firm or agency) AND SUPERVISOR (Full name, if known)	ADDRESS (Where employed)	TYPE OF WORK	REASON FOR LEAVING
1964	present	University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.		Prof. of History	
1956	1964	Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, N.Y.		Prof. of History	BO to go to Chicago.
1947	1956	Howard University, Washington, D.C.		Prof. of History	WF to go to Brooklyn
		(Jan. 1953 to Sept. 1953: University of Wisconsin, Madison:		Visiting Prof.	MI
1943	1947	North Carolina College, Durham, N.C.		Asst. Prof. of History	CE to go to Howard
1939	1943	St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, N.C.		Instructor	CE to go to Durham
1936	1937	Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.		Instructor	ME to return to school

16. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED (FIRED) FROM EMPLOYMENT FOR ANY REASON? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

17. HAVE YOU EVER RESIGNED (QUIT) AFTER BEING INFORMED THAT YOUR EMPLOYER INTENDED TO DISCHARGE (FIRE) YOU FOR ANY REASON? ☐ YES ☒ NO.  
(If your answer to 16 or 17 above is "Yes" give details in item 28. Show the name and address of employer, approximate date, and reasons in each case. This information should agree with the statements made in item 15—EMPLOYMENT.)

18. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED, TAKEN INTO CUSTODY, HELD FOR INVESTIGATION OR QUESTIONING, OR CHARGED BY ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY? (You may omit: (1) Traffic violations for which you paid a fine of \$30 or less; and (2) anything that happened before your 16th birthday. All other incidents must be included, even though they were dismissed or you merely forfeited collateral.) ☐ YES ☒ NO.

IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES," GIVE FULL DETAILS BELOW:

DATE

CHARGE

PLACE

LAW ENFORCEMENT  
AUTHORITY

ACTION TAKEN

8. Dates and Places of Residence

September 1964 to present: 5805 Blackstone Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60637 **GC**  
February 1958 to September 1964: 1885 New York Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. **BQ**  
September 1956 to February 1958: 515 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
March 1954 to September 1956: 2011 Monroe St., N.E., Washington, D. C. **WFO**  
September 1953 to March 1954: 1311 Hamlin St., N.E., Washington, D. C.  
January 1953 to September 1953: 1111 Johnson St., Madison, Wisconsin. **MI**  
September 1951 to January 1953: 220 Rhode Island Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C.  
September 1947 to September 1951: 3762 Hayes St., N.E., Washington, D. C.  
September 1943 to September 1947: 507 Linwood Avenue, Durham, N. C. **CE**  
September 1939 to September 1943: St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, N.C.  
March 1939 to September 1939: 216 East Cabarrus St., Raleigh, N. C.  
September 1937 to March 1939: 415 Broadway, Cambridge, Massachusetts. **DS**  
September 1936 to September 1937: Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee. **ME**



20. Foreign Countries Visited (Since 1930).

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<u>Country</u>	<u>Date Left</u>	<u>Date Returned</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Austria	June, 1951	Sept. 1951	Teaching in Salzburg
United Kingdom	June, 1954	Sept. 1954	Teaching at Cambridge U.
Italy	July, 1955	Aug., 1955	Int'l Congress of Historians
India	Jan., 1957	Feb., 1957	Attending Centennial of Indian universities
Austria	July, 1958	Sept., 1958	Teaching in Salzburg
Australia	June, 1960	Aug., 1960	Visiting Professor
Nigeria	Sept., 1960	Oct., 1960	Attending Independence Celebration
United Kingdom	Sept., 1962	Aug., 1963	Professor at Cambridge U.

(During the year 1962-1963 I lectured in Germany, France, and Italy)

From 1963 to 1969 I visited, as a member of the Board of Foreign Scholarships, many countries in Europe, the Near East and South Asia. They were usually brief visits.

USSR	March, 1970	April, 1970	With USIS Exhibit
<u>Venezuela, Chile, Argentina, Brazil</u>	March, 1973	April, 1973	Lincoln Lecturer, Dept. of State
<u>New Zealand, Australia Taiwan, Japan</u>	June, 1973	August, 1973	Lincoln Lecturer, Dept. of State
United Kingdom	Jan. 1974		Commonwealth Fund Lecturer
India	Jan. 1974	Feb., 1974	USIS Lecturer
United Kingdom	July, 1975	Aug., 1975	Research
India	Aug., 1975	Sept., 1975	Bicentennial Lecturer, USIS

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20. Foreign Countries Visited (Contd.)

<u>Country</u>	<u>Date Visited</u>	<u>Date Returned</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
United Kingdom	December, 1975		Research
Trinidad	August, 1976		Bicentennial Lecturer, USIS
Costa Rica	Sept., 1976		Vacation
/Senegal, Nigeria, Liberia, Ghana, Kenya, Zambia, Zaire/	June, 1977	August, 1977	Lecturer, USIS.

24. Membership in Other Organizations

American Historical Assn., Washington, D. C.	Professional; From 1940 to present:	President 1979
Org. of American Historians Bloomington, Indiana	Professional; From 1940's to present;	President 1974-75
Southern Historical Assn. New Orleans, La.	Professional; 1949 to present;	President 1969-70.
Society of Phi Beta Kappa Washington, D. C.	Honor Society; 1953 to present;	President of United Chapters 1973-1976
American Studies Assn. Philadelphia, Pa.	Professional; 1948 to present;	
American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia.	Educational; 1974 to present;	
Assn. for Study of Afro- American Life and History, Washington, D. C.	Educational; 1936 to present;	Vice-President 1968 to present.
American Assn. of University Professors, Washington, D.C.	Professional; 1940's to present;	
Legal Defense and Educational Fund, New York	Civil Rights; 1953 to present;	
Fisk University Board of Trustees, Nashville, Tenn.	Educational; 1947 to present;	Chairman, 1966-73
Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago	Educational	1969 to present;
Chicago Symphony Board of Trustees	Musical	1976 to present;
Center for Advanced Study in The Behavioral Sciences Stanford, California	Educational	1975 to present
Chicago Public Library Board of Trustees	Educational	1969-1978

26a. References

Prof. Arthur S. Link	133 Mt. Lucas Rd., Princeton, N. J.	Dept. of History, Princeton Univ.	NK 37
Prof. Rayford W. Logan	3001 Veazey Terr., N.W. Apt. 326 Washington, D. C.	Retired	WFO 40
Prof. Barry Karl	4823 Kimbark Ave., Chicago, Ill.	Dept. of History University of Chicago	C6 8

26b. Close Personal Associates

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